

ABC Update February 2012

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Kentucky ABC Investigator cites convenience store for trafficking illegal substances

On Thursday, Jan., 5, Alcoholic Beverage Control Investigator Treg Brooks confiscated 201 packages of 30 different varieties of synthetic marijuana from a filling station in Waverly, Ky. Twenty-one packages of Mad Hatter and Funky Munky, varieties of the synthetic cannabinoid agonists, were known to Investigator Brooks to have tested positive as controlled substances by the Kentucky State Police (KSP) lab. The other varieties will be sent to the KSP lab to test their contents for controlled substances.

In 2010, the Kentucky Legislature enacted KRS 218A.1426 making the sale or trafficking in synthetic cannabinoid agonists or Piperazines illegal. This was a direct result of the Beshear administration and the General Assembly's strong stance in fighting the war on drugs in Kentucky.

Cannabinoids are a class of diverse chemical compounds that activate cannabinoid receptors. One of the most notable cannabinoids is tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the primary psychoactive compound of cannabis. However, numerous other Cannabinoids with varied effects are known to exist. The piperazines are a broad class of chemical compounds, many with important pharmacological properties, which contain a core piperazine functional group.

On Friday, Jan. 6, Investigator Brooks secured a criminal summons through the Union County District Court for the owner of the licensed premises for trafficking In Synthetic Cannabinoid Agonists or Piperazines. If convicted, the license to sell alcohol could be revoked.

Synthetic marijuana is relatively new, and has only recently been outlawed by Kentucky legislature. Kentucky ABC wants to make sure licensees and all who work in our licensed premises are aware that these products are not legal to sell in Kentucky. ABC investigators have cited multiple licensees selling these products. Please be aware that if a licensee sells these products, the license will be in jeopardy and criminal charges could be filed.



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Upcoming Local Option Elections:

February 21, 2012, there will be a local option election held in the Graham precinct (H111) in Daviess County to allow alcohol sales.

On February 7, 2012, there will be a citywide local option election held in the City of Barbourville located in Knox County to allow alcohol sales.

On March 6, 2012, there will be a citywide local option election held in the City of London located in Laurel County to allow package sales.

S.T.A.R. Training Dates

Below are upcoming dates for the Server Training in Alcohol Regulations. In addition to responsible sales and service training, we cover Kentucky-specific statutes and regulations, individual liabilities and fake IDs. Class time is four hours. **Keep up with class changes and additions at http://abc.ky.gov/education.**



Date	Time	Location	City	County
02/07/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Louisville	Jefferson
02/07/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
02/13/2012	5:00PM	Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control	Frankfort	Franklin
02/18/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
02/20/2012	9:00AM	Holiday Inn Express	London	Laurel
02/20/2012	6:00PM	Ramada Conference Center	Louisville	Jefferson
02/21/2012	9:00AM	Houchen's Industries, Inc	Bowling Green	Warren
02/27/2012	9:00AM	Kentucky River ADD/Perry Park	Hazard	Perry
02/27/2012	9:00AM	Inter-County Energy Co-op	Danville	Boyle
02/28/2012	5:00PM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
03/06/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Louisville	Jefferson
03/06/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
03/12/2012	9:00AM	Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage Control	Frankfort	Franklin
03/13/2012	9:00AM	Pritchard Community Center	Elizabethtown	Hardin
03/17/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
03/19/2012	6:00PM	Ramada Conference Center	Louisville	Jefferson
03/19/2012	9:00AM	Jenny Wiley SRP	Prestonsburg	Floyd
03/20/2012	9:00AM	Hampton Inn	Hopkinsville	Christian
03/25/2012	12:30PM	Curris Center	Murray	Calloway
03/26/2012	9:00AM	Health and Civic Center	Mount Sterling	Montgomery
03/27/2012	5:00PM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
03/27/2012	9:00AM	Florence Government Center	Florence	Boone
04/03/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Louisville	Jefferson
04/03/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
04/14/2012	9:00AM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
04/16/2012	5:00PM	Kentucky Alcoholic Beverage	Frankfort	Franklin
04/16/2012	5:00PM	Cigar Factory Mall	Owensboro	Daviess
04/17/2012	9:00AM	Pritchard Community Center	Elizabethtown	Hardin
04/17/2012	9:00AM	The Arena	Corbin	Whitley
04/23/2012	9:00AM	Cave City Convention Center	Cave City	Barren
04/23/2012	6:00PM	Ramada Conference Center	Louisville	Jefferson
04/24/2012	5:00PM	Ramada Conference Center	Lexington	Fayette
04/30/2012	9:00AM	City Hall	Paducah	McCracken